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COTTON QUALITY REPORT FOR GINNINGS THROUGH MOVEMBER.

The average grade of cotton ginned during the first half of November was lower than that reported for the previous semimonthly period, following the normal trend for this time of the harvesting season, the Food Distribution Administration reported. Ginnings during this period were also of lower grade than for the same period last season except in North Carolina and Virginia. The average staple length for early November ginnings differs only slightly from ginnings of late October, but average shorter when compared to the same period last year.

Grades this season through November 13 averaged slightly higher than last season in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, North Carolina and Virginia, approximately the same in South Carolina, slightly lower in Mississippi, and much lower in Tennessee. Middling is the predominating grade this season in Georgia and Alabama, but Strict Low Middling is in larger proportions in the other states than any other grade. Ginnings this season in Georgia, South Carolina and Florida have been of longer average staple length than to this date a year ago, about the same in North Carolina and Alabama, and shorter in Mississippi, Tennessee and Virginia. One inch staple is in greater supply this season than any other length in the four states of Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina and Florida, while the staple length of 1-1/32 inch predominates in South Carolina, Mississippi, Tennessee and Virginia. The stable lengths of 1-1/16 inches and longer represent larger proportions of girnings this season than last in Georgia, South Carolina and Florida, approximately the same in Morth Carolina, and smaller proportions in Alabama Mississippi, Tennessee and Virginia.

Total ginnings of upland cotton through November 13, 1943, with comparisons to the same date last year were announced by the Pureau of The Census as follows: Alabama 899,099 and 860,104, Ficrida 13,947 and 14,403, Georgia 800,314 and 815,189, Mississippi 1,657,815 and 1,804,290, North Carolina 553,038 and 602,212, South Carolina 654,957 and 658,657, Tennessee 429,054 and 521,359, and Virginia 16,980 and 19,180

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